Subject: Re: [TZM CORE] Douglas Mallete and LLC
From: Kari <karin.e.mcgregor@gmail.com>
Date: 17/10/2012 8:39 AM
To: tzm-core-team@googlegroups.com

TVP has gone precisely the way I predicted they would (or, rather, observed they already were). It's just a shame such predictions don't get listened to until it is too late and people are jaded by their losses and waste of time and energy.

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K McGregor

On 17/10/2012 8:23 AM, Peter GMP wrote:

> There is really no way to create such a medium, outside the basic platform we already have. As of now, I don't even make my annual budget for the website admin/hosting costs with the shirts and am down about -$35,000+ on event days alone
> Still - I do not want to create that level of complexity on the global level. Either people have time or they dont. The trick is the "autonomous" nature of it where people are self- generating in their work and they fund their own stuff as they see fit within a reasonable degree - within the bounds of the major projects [zday; zfest; townhalls]
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> Only exception is the GLOBAL REDESIGN INSTITUTE which will need more $ as it will be the flagship project of TZM in many ways.A kickstarter for this might help for the programmers.
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> In the end, to express "fundraising" as "okay" on a larger level will indeed lead to abuse and to a level of disrespect that TVP has now achieved since they announced they are not even using the $113,000 (plus the other $70k+ or so they pulled from TZM's audience with our site donation link for them) for a script writer and pocketing it. TVP is doing nothing. Money corrupts all institutions.
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> As I mentioned in the CORE meeting we had, again - this mission is about automation of issues and stopping emails and general questions outside requests for link changes; new chapters and the like - is the goal. The problem is not money- it is organization. This takes years...But ideally- everything is self-contained and once the new Guide is done (sorry) we will have more ease.
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> Peter
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> On Mon, Oct 15, 2012 at 5:34 PM, Miguel Oliveira <moliveira@thezeitgeistmovement.com> wrote:
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>> Hello ive posted this over on zmchapters group and ill paste it here in case some people miss it.
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>> "In direct relation to the opening topic, to be honest i don't see a problem with it as long as TZM is not required to fund raise it or actively promote.his project as part of its identity/goal.
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>> Now, this is somewhat related to a series of other no so simple issues to communicate, and i want to make

clear that what im about to write here, is just my personal point of view on the movement and how things could evolve.

I recognize the need to have more and consistent volunteer work in the movement something that having volunteers on the payroll could definitely help, however i can also understand the tendency that creating a institution can create space for corruption, self perpetuation and focus on monetary sustainability instead of actual progress.

Recently what ive been thinking about is extending the concept of movement projects funding to include volunteer time costs (not only materials). Such system would have to be very similar to what kickstarter is right now, where volunteers would come forward with their projects and seek funding from supporters that are unable to actively participate, such platform could also be of use to other type of projects that are not strictly educational (but still need to be somewhat related to it)

This way there is no struggle to control where the resources flow in, but instead let projects evolve based on their own merit.

Of course, there are many questions that need to be thought about first... But so far i think its one good option.

Even if we still take volunteer time out of the equation and focus only on materials it would still be a great help, as a big problem right now is volunteers having to donate both their own time and money to get something done.

The movement itself should not be more than a basic framework for education, spreading information and networking, the more we seek to evolve its identity the more restricted will become.

One of the reasons im active in the movement (aside from things making sense of course), is the fact that is not controlled by an institution or a political party but by a simple and necessary train of thought. Within this train of thought we could eventually define sub groups of how we achieve our goal, BUT to me what matters the most is that we still share the same direction. (Or else i could just have joined TVP activism)

I guess a good tip i could say is
"Share constructive criticism not hate"

Take Care"

On Sun, Oct 14, 2012 at 7:08 PM, Peter GMP <gmpfilms@gmail.com> wrote:

> hi.
> I'm wouldnt be disturbed. This is the reality today and his LLC is his stepping stone for funding to make his work happen. Of course, TZM doesn't fund-raise for it, as we don't do for anything at this time.
> p
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> On Thu, Oct 11, 2012 at 6:41 PM, David Z <david.z@zeitgeistaustralia.org> wrote:
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> > I am a bit disturbed that Douglas M decided to patten his farming ideas and legalize it as a LLC company.
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> > Not good news for my ears and i don't think that this company should be promoted though our mediums anymore.
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> > what pp think?

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